

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-13, 19 and 20, directed to a yarn; and

Group II, claims 14-18, directed to a method of yarn.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-13, 19 and 20.

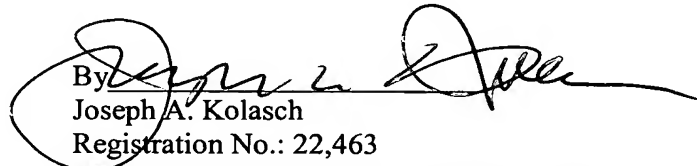
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Joseph A. Kolasch, Registration No 22,463 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,


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